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SUBJECT:STEEL MILL COMPLEX

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1. FRANK JANOGA, DRAVO CORPORATION, PROCESS ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION GROUP, VISITED USDOC/CAGNE AND STATE REGARDING COMPANY'S INTEREST IN PROVIDING IRAQIS WITH IRON ORE PELLETIZING PLANT. THIS WOULD BE ANCILLARY FACILITY TO STEEL MILL NOW BEING DESIGNED BY FRENCH FIRM, CREUSOT-LOIRE.

2. ACCORDING JANOGA, IRAQIS PLAN TO IMPORT PELLETIZED ORE, AT LEAST INITIALLY, THOUGH HE IS OF THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE ARE IRON ORE DEPOSITS IN IRAQ. HE WOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM THIS AND GET ANY OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND MINERALS PLANS FOR STEEL MILL COMPLEX. IDEALLY, HE WOULD ALSO LIKE ANY AVAILABLE GEOLOGICAL STUDIES OF IRAQ.

3. JANOGA WOULD LIKE TO GET THIS INFORMATION ASAP. WOULD
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APPRECIATE POST PROVIDING ANYTHING THAT IS AVAILABLE ON

STEEL MILL COMPLEX AND IRAQ'S GEOLOGY. WOULD ALSO APPRE-
CIATE POST'S THOUGHTS ON RECEPTION DRAVO'S PROPOSAL MIGHT

RECEIVE FROM IRAQIS AND WHETHER THERE IS POSSIBILITY
THAT U.S. FIRMS IN GENERAL MIGHT PARTICIPATE IN STEEL
MILL AND SIMILAR PROJECTS IN IRAQ. KISSINGER

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